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MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 30, 2002

TO: Council Member Gary Schiff, Chair, Zoning and Planning Committee
Zoning and Planning Committee members

FROM: Jim Voll - City Planning Department

SUBJECT: Appeal of the City Planning Commission's decision for property located at
5801 Nicollet Avenue South – Bobby & Steve's Auto World

Paul's Bobby & Steve's Auto World has proposed a new development at the corner of Nicollet Avenue South and 58th Street that includes a convenience store with gas pumps, a car wash, and a minor automotive repair shop. This requires a site plan review and conditional use permits. The City Planning Commission approved all of the applications at its meeting of July 08, 2002. The Planning Commission vote was 8-0 to approve the site plan; 7-1 to approve the conditional use permits for the service center and convenience store with gas pumps; and 5 to 4 to approve the conditional use permit for the car wash. A group of neighbors filed an appeal of this decision on July 12, 2002 (see attached appeal letter).

The City Planning Commission approved a similar expansion plan for this site in July of 2001 (please see attached background material). This decision was appealed by surrounding neighbors. The City Council granted this appeal and denied the conditional use permits and site plan on August 24, 2001. This denial is currently the subject of a lawsuit against the City of Minneapolis by Bobby & Steve's.

Attachments